GOVERNMENT OF INDIA NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES LOK SABHA

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INCENTIVES FOR SMALL HYDRO POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have formulated a package for small hydro power projects in the country;
- (b) if so, the States which have availed these incentives;
- (c) whether the Government have identified the small hydro power projects in every State; and
- (d) if so, the small hydro power projects identified and executed in Orissa with the package of incentives granted by the Union Government during the Ninth Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. Ministry of Non-conventional Energy Sources (MNES) is implementing a number of incentive schemes for the development of Small Hydro Power (SHP) projects in the country. These include, financial support for Detailed Survey & Investigation, and Detailed Project Report preparation; Capital Subsidy for Government sector projects, Interest Subsidy for commercial projects and support for Renovation & Modernization of old SHP projects. Almostall States except Rajasthan, Gujarat and Goa have availed incentives under these schemes of the SHP programme.

(c)&(d): Yes, Sir. Potential sites for the development of small hydro power projects have been identified by all the States. 161 potential SHP sites aggregating about 156 MW have been identified in the State of Orissa So far, 4 SHP projects aggregating 1.30 MW have been set up in the State and 7 SHP projects aggregating 9.93 MW are under implementation. MNES has so far provided financial support for preparation of Detailed Project Reports for 4 SHP projects in Orissa However, no proposal for sanctioning incentives under the SHP schemes of MNES have been received from Orissa during the 9th Plan period.